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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 2001

A JOINT RESOLUTION

SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF OFFICIAL IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT AUXILIARIES IN THIS STATE.

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 Whereas, thousands of undocumented aliens enter this state and nation illegally each year despite the efforts of federal border control agencies; and

Whereas, even with the unlikely provision of adequate financial resources, existing federal agencies will not be able to adequately interdict the flow of illegal immigration; and

Whereas, the presence of grievous numbers of low-paid individuals who are undocumented or are illegally residing in the United States places a considerable burden on the resources of state and local human service and law enforcement agencies without reimbursement; and

Whereas, this state has an unqualified interest in supplementing the federal efforts in controlling the overwhelming tide of immigration into this state and nation; and

Whereas, citizen frustration at the inadequacy of official border control is evidenced by the intervention of unorganized and unsupervised private control efforts such as the Minuteman organization; and

Whereas, existing national guard and military reserve organizations provide a useful model on which to pattern an official auxiliary organization to supplement the efforts of federal border patrol agencies; and

Whereas, auxiliary reserve units could also be organized and trained to respond to natural disasters, terrorist attacks and other emergencies requiring extensive assistance and recovery.

Therefore

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

- 1. That the Legislature and the Governor of the State of Arizona urge the Congress of the United States of America and the Secretary of the United States Department of Homeland Security to investigate the advantages and consider authorizing the establishment of one or more state auxiliary reserve units under the United States Coast Guard to supplement and enhance the efforts of the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement for the patrol and interdiction of illegal immigrants into this state.
- 2. That until the federal government can adequately interdict the flow of illegal immigration, it is the duty of this state to increase its effort along the border in order to protect its citizens from the crime and property damage resulting from illegal immigration.
- 3. That the Secretary of State transmit copies of this Resolution to the Secretary of the United States Department of Homeland Security and to each Member of Congress from the State of Arizona.

PASSED THE HOUSE MARCH 16, 2006.

PASSED BY THE SENTE APRIL 24, 2006.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE TCRETARY OF STATE APRIL 28, 2006.